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1. ALBERT JOHNSON, AMERICAN SPECIALIST, "BLACK AMERICANS:
A CINEMATIC VIEW" WS-12 (PROJECT PARTIALLY FULFILLED).

2. QP-VG, ED-E, AR-VG, RO-E (VG).

3. (A) KADUNA: JOHNSON DISCUSSED AND PRESENTED "BUCK AND THE
PREACHER" TO PRIMARY AUDIENCE OF 30 INCLUDING MEDIA
PERSONNEL, OFFICIALS STATE MINISTRY INFORMATION AND
CULTURE AT BPAO RESIDENCE. PROGRAM AT AHMADU BELLO
UNIVERSITY COSPONSORED BY CENTER FOR NIGERIAN CULTURAL
STUDIES INCLUDED (1) LECTURE FOR THIRD-YEAR DRAMA STUDENTS
AND SENIOR LECTURERS. (2) LECTURE/FILM "JACK JOHNSON" FOR
150 STUDENTS AND FACULTY OF FINE ARTS AND ENGLISH DEPARTMENTS.
(3) LECTURE/FILM "BROTHER JOHN" FOR 200 STUDENTS AND STAFF

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ENGLISH, HISTORY, FINE ARTS, ECONOMICS DEPTS. (4) LECTURE/FILM

"BUCK AND THE PREACHER" FOR 400 UNIVERSITY-WIDE AUDIENCE. (5) REPEAT SHOWING OF "JACK JOHNSON" TO GENERAL UNIVERSITY AUDIENCE OF 350.

(B) IBADAN: INFORMAL DISCUSSION RECENT DEVELOPMENT IN BLACK CINEMA WITH MEMBERS OF UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN THEATRE ARTS FACULTY AND MEDIA PERSONNEL AT ABPAO DINNER. AT THREE-DAY PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THEATRE ARTS FACULTY, UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN JOHNSON DELIVERED ONE FORMAL LECTURE AND SHOWED FOUR FILMS. TOTAL AUDIENCE: 800 FACULTY AND STUDENTS.

(C) LAGOS PROGRAM INCLUDED (1) SHOWING OF "BUCK AND THE PREACHER" TO AUDIENCE 40 MEDIA AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AT AMBASSADORS RESIDENCE. (2) PROGRAM COSPONSORED BY INSTITUTE MASS COMMUNICATIONS, UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS, INCLUDE TWO-DAY, TWO-HOUR SEMINAR SESSIONS FOR 60 STUDENTS AND STAFF OF MASS COMM. DEPT SHOWING "NOTHING BUT A MAN" AND "SHADOWS" FOR DISCUSSION. UNIVERSITY-WIDE SHOWINGS OF "BUCK AND THE PREACHER", "JACK JOHNSON" AND "BROTHER JOHN" TO AUDIENCE OF 400.

JOHNSON INTRODUCTORY PRESENTATIONS COMPREHENSIVE, SUBSTANTIVE AND WELL-DELIVERED. IN DISCUSSIONS, HE MAINTAINS PERSPECTIVE, COMMENTING ON U.S. SOCIETY AS WHOLE AS WELL AS IMAGE OF AMERICAN BLACKS IN FILMS. HE IS KNOWLEDGEABLE, CREDIBLE AND GAINS INSTANT RAPPORT WITH AUDIENCES. DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING RACE RELATIONS IN U.S. AND DEVELOPMENT FILMS INDUSTRY EXTREMELY POSITIVE AND INFORMATIVE. HELPFUL IN CORRECTING AUDIENCES MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT AMERICAN SOCIETY AS WELL AS THEIR NAIVETE CONCERNING FILM INDUSTRY. STRONGLY SUPPORTED POST OBJECTIVES OF FILM AS SERIOUS ART FORM. ALSO SUCCESSFUL IN DISCUSSING AMERICAN SOCIETY, INSTITUTIONS AND HISTORY. JOHNSON PREFERENCES LIGHT SCHEDULE (OR NOTHING) IN MORNINGS: BUT WILL HONOR ANY FIRM COMMITMENTS.

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